

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicants have elected Group I claims 1, 3-16, 18-20 and 22-23, which are drawn to an anode, for prosecution on the merits of the present application. Applicants further have elected the Species 3 claims 16, 22-27, 29, 31 and 33 directed to an anode comprising a gas diffusion layer as the substrate and a second carbon that is a support for the electrocatalyst material for prosecution on the merits of the present application. Applicants hereby reserve the right to pursue non-elected Group II claims and the Species 1 and 2 claims in separate continuing application(s) filed during the pendency of the present application.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the applicant's undersigned attorney at (312) 775-8000 if any unresolved matters remain.

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Respectfully submitted,

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